

Minutes of Meeting

State of California PRISM PROGRAM STEERING COMMITTEE (Steering Committee)

May 6, 2002

**Telecommunications Division
630 Sequoia Pacific Boulevard, Room 115A/B
Sacramento, California**

A. Members Present

Carol Biancalana – Emergency Medical Services Authority (EMSA)
Corey Cummings – Department of Corrections (CDC)
Robert Foster – Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR)
Gary Grootveld – Department of General Services, Telecommunications Division, (DGS-TD)
Don Root – Office of Emergency Services (OES)
Scoop Sairanen – DGS-TD

Members Absent

Al Castillo – Department of Justice (DOJ)
Phil Gaskins – Department of Fish and Game (DFG)
Frank Goddard – Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CDF)
Diana Cobleigh – Department of Water Resources (DWR)
Bill Lee – DOJ
Ferdinand Milanes – Department of Transportation (DOT)
Gary Townsend – California Highway Patrol (CHP)
Dana Wilkerson – California Youth Authority (CYA)

Others Present

Bill Anderson – DGS-TD
Bill De Camp – DGS-TD
Dale Dotson – American Ambulance
Dennis Elwell – DGS-TD
Annde Ewertsen - DOF
James Fox - CDC
Barry Hemphill – DGS-TD
Wade Hojeij – DGS-TD
David G. Jones – EMSA-Fresno County
Vincent Lin – DGS-TD
Joann Marsh – DGS-TD
Roger Melton – DGS-TD
Renato Peruzzi – DGS-TD
Paula Reynaga – DGS-TD
Gene Sapnaro – DGS-TD
Dave Smith – DGS-TD

James Anderson – M/A-COM
Ron Bender – M/A-COM
Glenn Cannon – M/A-COM
Bill Haymond – M/A-COM
Steve Howard – M/A-COM
Gary Kimmerle – M/A-COM
Dennis Martinez, Ph.D. – M/A-COM
Chuck Shaughnessy – M/A-COM
John Vaughan, Ph.D. – M/A-COM
Larry Ward – M/A-COM
Dick Westrope – M/A-COM

The meeting convened at 9:10 a.m. Bill De Camp welcomed the M/A-COM Representatives and introduced Steve Howard, Area Sales Director, Wireless Systems.

A. M/A-COM Presentation

M/A-COM wireless communications professionals from around the nation provided the first of a series of four presentations to the PRISM Steering Committee. This abbreviated presentation (synopsized into a one-and-a-quarter hour window) focused on M/A-COM's capabilities and its Network First offering. The subsequent presentations (each three hours in duration conducted May 6th and 7th) are to provide a more comprehensive overview of M/A-COM and its telecommunications expertise and product offerings.

In its presentation to the Steering Committee, M/A-COM pointed out how the Network First architecture offers a fast, cost-effective solution for multi-agency interoperability without requiring different agencies to purchase new radios. They said it is based upon M/A-COM's OpenSky[®] architecture, with its next generation packet-switching technology. They went on to show how Network First can link together multiple radio system types in multiple (i.e., different) frequency bands by converting the radio audio into packet data that can then be easily transported over a wide area network that uses the Internet Protocol (IP) by using industry standard servers and routers.

B. Approval of Minutes

A quorum was not present; therefore the minutes were not reviewed/approved.

C. Agenda – Additions/Changes

No additions/changes.

D. Subcommittee Reports

Communications Subcommittee – No update, action and/or meetings.

Spectrum Acquisition Subcommittee – No update, action and/or meetings.

Coordination Working Group (CWG) – Bill De Camp made reference to the various handouts that were distributed.

In Building Coverage Modeling Efforts in Sacramento

Bill De Camp referred to the graphs and some floor plans of the RF coverage tests that were conducted by Roger Melton and Wade Hojeij. Bill said the most recent in-building coverage tests were performed within the California State Capitol Building and the 650 North Fifth Street Warehouse. Bill displayed Power Point slides revealing the coverage achieved at multiple points within each floor of the Capitol Building. Roger and Wade explained the intricacies of the coverage testing process.

May CWG Meeting

Corey Cummings asked if a May CWG meeting was scheduled. In light of the Memorial Day holiday coming up on May 27 (the last Monday of the month), Bill De Camp mentioned that a CWG meeting would not be held in May unless a perceived need develops. In such a case, Bill said he will notify all at least a week in advance of both the need and the scheduled date. He said in the absence of a May CWG meeting, pertinent developments transpiring throughout May would be discussed at the next Steering Committee meeting scheduled for June 3rd.

Governance Subcommittee – No update, action and/or meetings.

E. Discussion Items

Project Funding (GAR, et cetera)

Scoop Sairanen reported that the DGS GAR has been pulled back, and that CHP has submitted a separate GAR.

AB 2018

Bill De Camp stated that AB 2018 was amended in assembly on April 23, 2002. He summarized the amendments in a Power Point presentation. There were numerous comments made about the revisions and deletions, and concerns expressed about the deletion of the Resources Agency, the Business, Transportation, and the Department of General Services from the proposed Public Safety Communication Advisory Board list. Concern was expressed that the advisory board appears disproportionately populated with law enforcement representatives. Gary Grootveld stated that Barry Hemphill would meet with Daniel Kim, Assistant to Assembly Member Nakano, regarding some of these issues.

F. Chair's Report

Corey Cummings commented that Deputy Director Ernie Van Sant met with the PSWN executive council regarding interoperability at the federal level. Corey has information from SAFECOM and will email it to all Steering Committee Members.

G. Members' Comments

Gary Grootveld commented that he had read the response from APCO regarding the 800 MHz Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) which was provided by Glen Nash. When Gary receives the final version he will forward copies to the Steering Committee Members. Gary also commented that Glen Nash is in the process of writing an APCO newsletter and when it is finalized, copies will be distributed.

H Action Items Review

None.

I. Adjournment

The next Steering Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, June 3, 2002, 9:00 a.m., at the DGS-TD 601 Building, in Conference Rooms 108A/B. The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.